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To: Microsoft ATR
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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

To whom it may concern:

I am a 26-year-old college student at West Virginia University. I'm an active member of the community in Morgantown, WV and I believe that I represent a good majority of people my age with my student's lifestyle.

I ask you to please end this persecution of Microsoft. There is absolutely no wrong in being the leader of an industry because you are the smartest and the fastest. But, for some reason, the individuals who are fighting against Microsoft believe that success and leadership is breaking the law. It's not Microsoft's fault that their competitors cannot keep up.

Because of this lawsuit, the public as a whole has suffered. Look at the good Microsoft has done for society-Windows, easier access to information, and better hardware to work with, to name a few. You're probably reading this message on a Windows-run machine. Does that mean that Microsoft has a Monopoly or just the best product? I choose the latter and I believe that society has chosen the latter, as well. Microsoft has the capability to drive us through the 21st century with a fury, but this lawsuit has given them a Model T to drive us there. LET THEM BE!

Need I mention the millions of taxpayers' dollars that have been wasted on this lawsuit? We need to end this mess and let Microsoft go on being successful, making money, and bettering society.

Thank you for listening to my opinion.

Sincerely, T. Aaron Metz